

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

**LABORERS' PENSION FUND and)
LABORERS' WELFARE FUND OF THE)
HEALTH AND WELFARE DEPARTMENT)
OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND GENERAL)
LABORERS' DISTRICT COUNCIL OF)
CHICAGO AND VICINITY, and JAMES S.)
JORGENSEN, Administrator of the Funds,)
Plaintiffs,)**

v.)

**PENDLETON INDUSTRIES, INC., an)
Illinois corporation, and ANGELO CARUSO,)
Defendants.)**

Case No.: 06 C 5941

Judge Hibbler

PLAINTIFFS MOTION TO REINSTATE AND CONFESS JUDGMENT

NOW COMES Plaintiffs Laborers' Pension Fund and Laborers' Welfare Fund of the Health and Welfare Department of the Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity and James S. Jorgensen, Administrator (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Funds"), by and through their attorney, Patrick T. Wallace, and hereby move this Court to reinstate this case and confess judgment against Pendleton Industries, Inc. ("Pendleton" or the "Company") and Angelo Caruso. In support of this Motion, Plaintiffs state as follows:

1. The parties settled this case pursuant to the terms of an Installment Note and Guaranty of Payment and Indemnification. A true and accurate copy of the Settlement Agreement and Stipulation to Dismiss filed by the parties is attached hereto as Exhibit A. In the Settlement Agreement and Stipulation to Dismiss, the parties agreed to request that the Court add Angelo Caruso as a Defendant in this case waiving service of Summons and Amended Complaint for purposes of enforcing the settlement.

2. On May 4, 2007, this Court entered a Minute Entry indicating that pursuant to the Stipulation to Dismiss, the case was dismissed with prejudice with the Court retaining jurisdiction to enforce the terms of the Settlement Agreement through May 30, 2008.

3. The Company has failed to submit its August and September payments due under the Note and is in default. Accordingly, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court reinstate this case and enter judgment in favor of the Plaintiffs and against Defendants Pendleton Industries and Angelo Caruso in the amount of \$9,537.25 representing \$9,257.25 due on the defaulted Installment Note and \$280.00 in attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Funds in enforcing the terms of the Note and Guaranty. See Affidavit of John Bronson attached hereto as Exhibit B, ¶ 5 and Declaration of Patrick T. Wallace, attached hereto as Exhibit C.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs respectfully request that this Court reinstate this case and reinstate this case and confess judgment in favor of Plaintiffs and against Defendants Pendleton Industries, Inc. and Angelo Caruso in the amount of \$9,537.25.

Respectfully submitted,

September 18, 2007

LABORERS' PENSION FUND ET AL.

By: /s/ Patrick T. Wallace

Office of Fund Counsel
Laborers' Pension and Welfare Funds
53 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 550
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(312) 692-1540

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NOTICE OF FILING

TO: Mr. Jeff Peistrup
Pendleton Industries
24729 Milwaukee Ave.
Vernon Hills, IL 60061

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on this 2nd day of May 2007 the undersigned filed with the Clerk of Court the attached Settlement Agreement and Stipulation to Dismiss, a copy of which is herewith served upon you.

May 2, 2007

LABORERS' PENSION FUND ET AL.

By: /s/ Patrick T. Wallace

Office of Fund Counsel
53 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 550
Chicago, Illinois 60604
(312) 692-1540

PROOF OF SERVICE BY MAIL

The undersigned certifies that on this 2nd day of May 2007 he served this notice to the above addressee(s) via U.S. Mail.

/s/ Patrick T. Wallace



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SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND STIPULATION TO DISMISS

Now come Plaintiffs Laborers' Pension Fund and Laborers' Welfare Fund of the Health and Welfare Department of the Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity and James S. Jorgensen (hereinafter, the "Funds"), by and through their attorney, Patrick T. Wallace, and Defendant Pendleton Industries, Inc., by and through their President Angelo Caruso, and hereby present the parties' Settlement Agreement and Stipulation to Dismiss. In support of this Agreement, the parties state as follows:

1. The parties have settled this case pursuant to the terms of the Installment Note and Guaranty of Payment and Indemnification attached hereto as Exhibits A and B. In addition, Defendant Pendleton Industries, Inc. has agreed to obtain and maintain a surety bond in accordance with the terms of the collective bargaining agreement.

2. The parties respectfully request that this Court add Angelo Caruso as a Defendant in this case waiving service of summons and an amended complaint for the purpose of enforcing

the Installment Note and Guaranty of Payment and Indemnification against both the Company and Caruso. The parties further request that this court dismiss this case without prejudice and retaining jurisdiction to enforce the terms of this Settlement Agreement through May 30, 2008. The parties have attached hereto as Exhibit C a signed copy of an Agreed Dismissal Order reflecting this Agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 5/2/07

LABORERS' PENSION FUND ET AL.

By: Patrick T. Wallace
Patrick T. Wallace

Office of Fund Counsel
Laborers' Pension and Welfare Funds
53 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 550
Chicago, Illinois 60604
(312) 692-1540

Dated: _____

PENDLETON INDUSTRIES, INC.

By: Angelo Caruso
Angelo Caruso, President

24729 Milwaukee Ave.
Vernon Hills, IL 60061
847-804-6316

INSTALLMENT NOTE

This Installment Note ("Note") is made between the Laborers' Pension Fund ("Pension Fund") and Laborers' Welfare Fund of the Health and Welfare Department of the Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity ("Health and Welfare Fund" or collectively the "Funds"), the parties of the first part, and Pendleton Industries, Inc. ("Company"), the party of the second part.

WHEREAS, the Company has at all relevant times been party to a collective bargaining agreement ("CBA") with the Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity, whereunder it is obligated to make certain contributions to the above-named Funds, as well as to the Training Fund, on behalf of its covered employees, and to the payment of all employee union dues:

WHEREAS, the Company has failed to timely pay certain contributions owed to the Funds for the period of October 2006.

WHEREAS, the Company desires to pay all delinquencies owed to the Funds, to pay all union dues owed to the Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity, together with liquidated damages, and interest set forth below and further desires to remain current in its obligation to pay contributions to the Funds.

THE PARTIES HEREBY AGREE as follows:

1. The Company will pay \$9,925.09 to the Health and Welfare Fund (comprised of \$3,756.11 in delinquent contributions, \$4,840.41 in liquidated damages, \$708.55 in attorneys fees and costs and \$620.02 in interest) (based on an interest rate of 10.25%). The Company will also pay \$6,724.43 to the Pension Fund (comprised of \$2,436.94 in delinquent contributions, \$3,175.42 in liquidated damages, \$708.55 in attorneys fees and costs and \$403.52 in interest). All of these amounts shall be paid according to the schedule described below in paragraphs 4 and 5.
2. The Company will also pay \$100.61 to the Training Fund (comprised of \$85.60 in delinquent contributions, \$8.56 in liquidated damages and \$6.45 in interest) and \$530.66 in union dues (comprised of \$530.66 in liquidated damages). These delinquent amounts shall be paid in their entirety at the time payment under this Note commences, in accordance with the schedule described in paragraph 5.
3. The Company will also pay the Funds or the sum of \$1,417.10 representing attorney fees and costs incurred by the Funds in Case No. 06 C 5941. This amount is split equally between Welfare and Pension as described in paragraph 4 above.
4. Simultaneously with the execution of this Note, the Company will pay twenty percent (20%) of the total outstanding indebtedness, excluding note interest and the delinquent amounts described above in paragraph 2, or \$1,775.89 to the Health and Welfare Fund and \$1,159.19 to the Pension Fund.
5. For twelve (12) consecutive months commencing on May 1, 2007 and ending on April 1, 2008, the Company will pay \$679.10 per month to the Health and Welfare Fund and \$463.77 per month to the Pension Fund.
6. The Company will remit all payments to the Funds' Administrative Offices, which are located at 11465 Cermak Road, Westchester, Illinois 60154.
7. The Company understands and agrees that this Installment Note is based on reports submitted by the Company to the Funds and that the Funds reserve the right to conduct an audit, in accordance with the terms of the collective bargaining agreement and the Funds' respective Agreements and Declarations of Trust, to determine bene- contribution compliance for the time period covered herein and further reserve the right to collect any unpaid contributions, union dues, interest, liquidated damages, and audit costs as shown on said audit.
8. Payments made pursuant to this Installment Note shall be considered "contributions" as defined under the terms of the CBA and the Fund's respective Agreements and Declarations of Trust. If the contributions are not paid by the 10th day following the date on which payment should have been received, the contribution shall be considered delinquent and all charges which apply to the late payment of contributions under the terms of the CBA and the Fund's respective agreements and Declarations of Trust shall apply, including, but not limited to, the assessment of interest and liquidated damages. Further, in the event the Company fails to timely make any payments described in this Note, all amounts described in paragraph 1 herein shall immediately become due on the 10th day following the date on which payment should have been received by the Fund's under the terms of this Note. In such event the Company further agrees to pay all attorney fees and costs incurred by the Funds in any action to enforce any part of all of this note.

EXHIBIT

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9. This Installment Note is conditioned on the Company's staying current on its obligations to the Funds under terms of the collective bargaining agreement and the Funds' respective Agreements and Declarations of Trust. In the event that the Company fails to maintain its obligations under the terms of the collective bargaining agreement and the Funds' respective Agreements and Declarations of Trust, including, but not limited to, its obligation to submit timely contribution reports and to make timely contribution payments by the tenth day following the month in which laborers' work was performed, then the Funds shall have the right to accelerate and collect all amounts under this Installment Note, plus payment of all attorneys' fees and costs incurred by the Funds in any action to accelerate this Installment Note.

10. The Company further agrees to obtain and maintain a surety bond to insure the payment of wages and benefits contributions as required under the terms of the CBA.
11. The Company shall have the right to prepay the entire amount due under the Note prior to the date upon which payment is due without penalty and without payment of any precalculated Note interest that has not accrued as of the date full payment has been made.

The Parties hereby agree to these terms by their execution hereof on the 14th day of the April, 2001⁷

Pendleton Industries, Inc.

By: Angelo Coraso

Title: President

Laborers' Pension Fund

By: John J. Murphy

Laborers' Welfare Fund of the Health and Welfare Department of the Construction and General Laborers' District Council
Chicago and Vicinity.

By: John J. Murphy

GUARANTY OF PAYMENT AND INDEMNIFICATION

This Guaranty ("Guaranty") is made as of April 14, 2007 by the undersigned, Angelo Caruso, (the "Guarantor"), to and for the benefit of the **LABORERS' PENSION FUND AND THE LABORERS' WELFARE FUND OF THE HEALTH AND WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND GENERAL LABORERS' DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CHICAGO AND VICINITY** (collectively, the "Funds").

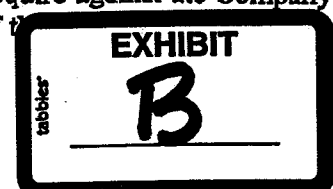
WHEREAS, Pendleton Industries, Inc. (the "Company") has agreed to pay a total of \$17,280.79 to the Funds in settlement of the alleged delinquent contributions owed to the Funds and to be paid under the terms of a Settlement Agreement and Installment Note ("Note").

WHEREAS, the Funds are unwilling to enter into the Note unless the guarantor executes this Guaranty; and

WHEREAS, the Guarantor has a financial interest in the Company and will be benefited by the Note:

NOW WHEREAS, in consideration of the foregoing, the Guarantor agrees as follows:

1. Guaranty of Payment and Indemnification. The undersigned guarantees, absolutely and unconditionally:
 - (a) the payment when due of the entire principal indebtedness and all interest evidenced by the Note during the twelve (12) month payment period including interest and liquidated damages for late or unpaid payments due on the note; and
 - (b) the full and complete payment of any and all fees and costs incurred pursuant to default under terms of the Note, whether litigation is involved or not, and if involved, whether at the trial or appellate levels or in pre- or post-judgment bankruptcy proceedings in enforcing or realizing upon the obligations of the Guarantor hereunder (the obligations of Guarantor under this Paragraph 1 are collectively hereinafter referred to as the "Obligations"). The Guarantor also agrees to be personally liable for all monthly benefit contributions and/or union dues owed from the Company to the Funds, the District Council and all ancillary funds that are due at the time the Note and Guaranty are entered into and/or are incurred and become due and owing for the duration of the Note, including all interest, liquidated damages, audit costs, attorneys' fees and costs.
2. Continuing Guaranty. This Guaranty shall be a continuing Guaranty, and shall not be discharged, impaired or affected by; (a) the existence or continuance of any obligation on the part of the Company with respect to the Note; (b) any forbearance or extension of the time of payment of the Note; (c) the validity or invalidity of the Note; (d) any defenses whatsoever that the Company or any of the party thereto may have to the performance or observance of any term, covenant or condition contained in the Note; (e) the existence or non-existence of the Company as a legal entity; (f) any limitation or exculpation of (other than the payment and performance in full of all of the Company's Obligations) that Guarantor may have as to his undertakings, liabilities and obligations hereunder, including any defenses based upon any legal disability of the Company or any discharge or limitation of the disability of the Company, whether consensual or arising by operation of law or any bankruptcy, insolvency or debtor-relief proceeding, or from any other cause, each and every such defense being hereby waived by the Guarantor.
3. Waivers. Guarantor waives diligence, presentment, protest, notice of dishonor, demand for payment, extension of time of payment, notice of acceptance of this Guaranty, non-payment at maturity and indulgences and notices of every kind not provided for under this Guaranty. It is the intention of this Guaranty that Guarantor shall remain liable as principal, notwithstanding any act, omission or thing which might otherwise operate as a legal or equitable discharge of Guarantor, until all of the Company's obligations shall have been fully paid and performed.
4. Subrogation. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere contained herein or in the Note, the guarantor expressly waive with respect to the Company any and all rights at law or in equity to subrogation, to reimbursement, to exoneration, to contribution, to set off or to any other rights that could accrue to a surety against a principal, to the Guarantor against a maker or obligor, to an accommodation party against the party accommodated, or to a holder or transferee against a maker, and which the guarantor may have or hereafter acquire against the Company in connection with or as a result of Guarantor's execution, delivery and/or performance of the



The Guarantor agrees that he or she shall not have or assert any such rights against the Company or its successors and assigns or any other period (including and surety), either directly or as an attempted set off to any action commenced against the Guarantor by the Company (as borrower or in any other capacity) or any other person.

5. Independent Obligations. The Funds may enforce this Guaranty without first resorting to or without first having recourse to the Note; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall preclude the Funds from suing on the Note or from exercising any other rights; and the Funds shall not be required to institute or prosecute proceedings to recover any deficiency as a condition of any payment hereunder or enforcement hereof.

6. Acceleration. In the event that payments due under the Note shall be accelerated, the Guarantor's obligations hereunder shall also be accelerated without further notice from the Funds.

7. Effect of Bankruptcy. This Guaranty shall continue in full force and effect notwithstanding the institution by or against the Company of bankruptcy, reorganization, readjustment, receivership or insolvency proceedings of any nature, or the disaffirmance of the Note in any such proceedings, or others.

8. Termination. This Guaranty shall remain in full force and effect as to the Guarantor until all of the Company's Obligations under the Note outstanding shall be finally and irrevocably paid in full. Payment of all of the Company's Obligations from time to time shall not operate as a discontinuance of this Guaranty. If after receipt of any payment of all or any part of the Company's Obligations, the Funds are for any reason compelled to surrender such payment to any person or entity, because such payment is determined to be void or voidable as a preference, impermissible set off, or a diversion of trust fund, or for any reason, this Guaranty shall continue in full force notwithstanding any contract action which may have been taken by the Funds in reliance upon such payment, and any such contrary action so taken shall be without prejudice to the Funds' rights under this Guaranty and shall be deemed to have been conditioned upon such payment having become final and irrevocable.

9. The Company's Financial Condition. The guarantor assumes full responsibility for keeping fully informed of the Company's financial condition and all other circumstances affecting the Company's ability to perform its Obligations, and agree that the Funds will have no duty to report to Guarantor any information which the Funds receive about the Company's financial condition or any circumstances bearing on its ability to perform.

10. Expenses. The undersigned agrees to pay and reimburse the Funds for all cost and attorney's fees, which they may expend or incur in the enforcement of this Guaranty or any of the Company's Obligations under the Note.

11. Delay, Cumulative Remedies. No delay or failure by the Funds to exercise any right to remedy against the Company or Guarantor will be construed as a waiver of that right or remedy. All remedies of the Funds against the Company and the Guarantor are cumulative.

12. Binding Effect. This guaranty shall incur to the benefit of and may be enforced by the Funds, and shall be binding upon and enforceable against the Guarantor and Guarantor's heirs, legal representatives, successors and assigns. In the event of the death of the Guarantor, the obligations of such deceased Guarantor shall continue in full force and effect against his estate, personal representatives, successors and assigns. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Funds (or their successors and assigns) may from time to time and without notice to undersigned, assign any and all of their rights under this Guaranty without in any way affecting or diminishing the obligations of the undersigned hereunder, who shall continue to remain bound by the obligated to perform under and with respect to this Guaranty as though there had been no such assignment.

14. Warranties. Guarantor makes to the Funds the following representations and warranties:

(a) Authorization. Guarantor has full right, power and authorization to enter into this Guaranty and carry out his obligations hereunder

(b) No Conflict. The execution, delivery and performance by Guarantor of this Guaranty will not violate or be in conflict with, results in a breach of, or constitute a default under, any indenture, agreement or any other

instrument to which Guarantor is a party or by which Guarantor or any of his assets or properties is bound, or any order, writ, injunction or decree of any court or governmental institute.

(c) Litigation. There are no actions, suits or proceedings pending, or to the knowledge of Guarantor, threatened against or adversely affecting any Guarantor at law or in equity or before or by governmental agency or instrumentality which involve any of the transactions herein contemplated, or the possibility of any judgment or liability which may result in any material and adverse change in the financial condition of any Guarantor. Guarantor is not in default with respect to any judgment, order, writ, injunction, decree, rule or regulation of any court.

(d) Enforceability. This guaranty is a legal, valid and binding obligation of Guarantor, enforceable in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting the rights of creditors generally.

15. Notices. All notices or other communications required or permitted hereunder shall be (a) in writing and shall be deemed to be given when either (I) delivered in person, (II) three (3) days after deposit in a regularly maintained receptacle of the United States mail as registered or Certified mail, postage prepaid, (III) when received if sent by private courier service, or (IV) on the day on which Guarantor refuses delivery by mail or by private courier service, and (b) addressed as follows:

In Case of Guarantor

Pendleton Industries, Inc.
24729 Milwaukee
Vernon Hills, IL 60061

In Case of the Funds:

Collection Counsel
 Patrick T Wallace
 Laborers Pension & Welfare Fund
 Sub Office
 53 W Jackson Blvd
 Suite 550
 Chicago IL 60604-3607

or such other addresses as may from time to time be designated by the party to be addressed by notice to the other in the manner hereinabove provided. The Funds will use their best efforts to send courtesy copies of notices provided hereunder to Guarantor's attorney, -. But the failure by the Funds to send courtesy copies to Guarantor's attorney shall not limit or restrict the Funds' rights under this Guaranty in any manner nor relieve Guarantor of any obligations under this guaranty.

16. Additional Waivers. Guarantor expressly and unconditionally waives, in connection with any suit, action or proceeding brought by the Funds on this Guaranty, any and every right he or she may have to (I) injunctive relief, (II) a trial by jury, (III) interpose any counterclaim therein and (IV) seek to have the same consolidated with any other or separate suit, action or proceeding.

17. Severability. If all or any portion of any provision of this Guaranty is declared or found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable or null and void, such provision or portion thereof shall be deemed stricken and severed from this Guaranty and the remaining provisions and portions hereof shall continue in full force and effect.

18. Applicable Law; Venue. This Guaranty and the transactions evidenced hereby shall be construed and interpreted under the laws of the State of Illinois. Guarantor, in order to induce the Funds to accept this Guaranty and enter into the loan agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which hereby is acknowledged, agrees that all actions or proceedings arising directly, indirectly or otherwise in connection with, out of, related to or from this Guaranty shall be litigated, at the Fund's sole discretion and election, only in courts having a situs within the county of Cook, State of Illinois, Eastern Division. Guarantor hereby waives any right he or

she may have to transfer or change the venue or any litigation brought against him by the Funds on this agreement in accordance with this paragraph.

19. Time is of the Essence. Time is of the essence of this Guaranty as to the performance of the undersigned.

20. Death of a Guarantor. In the event of the death of Guarantor, the Funds shall have the right to accelerate the indebtedness evidenced by the Note unless, within sixty (60) days of his death, Guarantor's estate assumes his obligations hereunder by an instrument satisfactory to the Funds and delivers to the Funds security for performance of such obligations satisfactory to the Funds.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Guarantor has executed this instrument as of the date and year first above written.

Angela Carras

345-20-6095
Social Security Number

Social Security Number

Social Security Number

Social Security Number

Date: 4/14/07

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND SUBSTANCE
ON BEHALF OF GUARANTOR;

Dated: _____

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AGREED ORDER OF DISMISSAL

The parties hereby agree that this case has been settled and that all issues and controversies have been resolved to their mutual satisfaction. The parties request the Court to retain jurisdiction to enforce the terms of their settlement agreement.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

1. Angelo Caruso is added as a Defendant in this case waiving service of summons and amended complaint for the purpose of enforcing the Settlement Agreement entered into by the parties.
2. The parties shall comply with the terms of their settlement agreement entered into on May 2 2007, the terms of which settlement are incorporated herein by reference. The terms of the settlement shall be enforced against Defendant Pendleton Industries, Inc. and Angelo Caruso, President of the Company, as Guarantor under the terms of the Guaranty of Payment and Indemnification entered into by the parties.



3. By consent of the parties, the Court shall retain jurisdiction for the purpose of enforcing the terms of the settlement agreement through July 30, 2008.

4. This Agreed Order of Dismissal is entered without prejudice in order to allow the Court to enforce the settlement agreement, however, the parties are barred from relitigating any claims raised in this litigation or any claims released by means of the settlement agreement. The matter is dismissed without prejudice to the Funds' right to audit the books and records of Pendleton for the period of March 1, 2004 forward and to collect any unpaid contributions, dues, interest and liquidated damages revealed as due and owing therein.

5. Each party shall bear its own attorneys' fees and expenses except as provided expressly under the terms of the attached settlement documents.

Date: _____

Entered:

Hon. William J. Hibbler
United States District Court Judge

AGREED TO:
Laborers' Pension Fund, et al.

By: Patrick T. Wallace
Patrick T. Wallace

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, an attorney, hereby certifies that he caused a copy of the foregoing Settlement Agreement and Stipulation to Dismiss to be served upon the following person via US Mail this 2nd day of May 2007.

Mr. Jeff Peistrup
Pendleton Industries
24729 Milwaukee Ave.
Vernon Hills, IL 60061
847-804-6316

/s/ Patrick T. Wallace

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AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN BRONSON

JOHN BRONSON, being first duly sworn on oath, deposes and states as follows:

1. I am a Field Representative employed by the Laborers' Pension Fund and the Laborers' Welfare Fund of the Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity (hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Funds"), Plaintiffs in the above-referenced action. My responsibilities include oversight of the collection of amounts owed by Defendant Pendleton Industries, Inc., (hereinafter "Pendleton" or the "Company"). This Affidavit is submitted in support of the Laborers' Funds' Motion to Reinstate and Confess Judgment. I have personal knowledge regarding the statements contained herein.

2. On June 15, 1999, the Company signed a Memorandum of Joint Working Agreement ("Memorandum") with the Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity ("District Council") and Laborers' Local Union No. 75. A true and accurate copy of the Memoranda is attached hereto as Exhibit A-1. Pursuant to the terms of the Memoranda, the Company is bound to the terms of the relevant collective bargaining agreements



incorporated by reference in the Memorandum ("Agreement(s)") and the Funds' respective Agreements and Declarations of Trust.

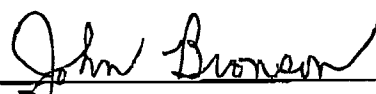
3. Pursuant to agreement, the Funds have been duly authorized to act as collection agents on behalf of the District Council for union dues owed to the District Council.

4. The Agreement and the Funds' respective Agreements and Declarations of Trust, to which the Company is bound, require that the Company submit benefit and union dues reports and contribution payments by the tenth day of the following month. Payments which are not received within thirty days of this date are assessed liquidated damages in the amount of 10 percent of the principal amount of delinquent contributions, and interest at a rate of prime plus 2 percent as charged by the First National Bank of Chicago from the date of delinquency forward. The Agreement and the Funds' respective Agreements and Declarations of Trust also obligate the Company to submit its books and records to the Funds for periodic audits to determine benefit contribution compliance. A copy of the relevant portions of the Agreement are attached as Exhibit A-2; a copy of the relevant portions of the Amended Agreement and Declaration of Trust creating the Laborers' Pension Fund are attached as Exhibit A-3; and a copy of the relevant portions of the Amended Health and Welfare Department of the Construction and General Laborers' District Council are attached as Exhibit A-4.

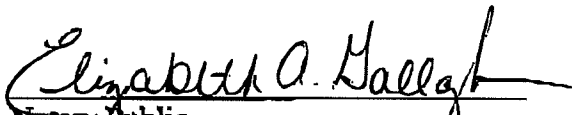
5. The Defendants have defaulted on the Installment Note and Guaranty of Payment and Indemnification entered into in settlement of this case. Specifically, Pendleton has failed to submit its September installment due under the Note and has failed to submit and pay benefit reports for the period of June through August 2007. Accordingly, the Company owes \$9,257.25 as follows:

Unpaid and accelerated amounts due to the Welfare Fund	\$5,432.80
Unpaid and accelerated amounts due to the Pension Fund	3,710.16
10% liquidated damages on unpaid September Installment	114.29
TOTAL:	\$9,257.25

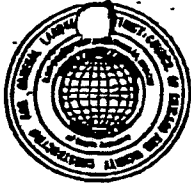
FURTHER AFFLIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.


John Bronson

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 17th day of September 2007.


Notary Public





HEADQUARTERS OF

Construction & General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity

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INDEPENDENT CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT

It is hereby submitted and agreed by and between Pendleton Industries Inc., herein called the "EMPLOYER", and the CONSTRUCTION AND GENERAL LABORERS' DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CHICAGO AND VICINITY, herein called the "UNION", representing and encompassing Local Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 25, 75, 76, 86, 118, 149, 152, 225, 288, 582, 881, 1001, 1006, 1035, 1082 and encompassing the geographical areas of the counties of Cook, Lake, DuPage, Will, Grundy, Kendall, Kane, McHenry and Boone, in the State of Illinois, together with any other local which may come within the jurisdiction of the UNION, that:

1. EMPLOYER, in response to the UNION's claim that it represents an unrepresented majority of each EMPLOYER's laborer employees, acknowledges and agrees that there is no good faith doubt that the UNION has been authorized to and in fact does represent such majority of laborer employees. Therefore, the UNION is hereby recognized as the sole and exclusive collective bargaining representative for the employees now or hereafter employed in the bargaining unit with respect to wages, hours of work and other terms and conditions of employment in accordance with Section 9 of the National Labor Relations Act without the need for a Board certified election.

2. The EMPLOYER affirms and adopts the Collective Bargaining Agreements between the UNION and the Builders Association of Chicago and Vicinity, the Illinois Road Builders Association, the Underground Contractors Association, the Mason Contractors Association of Greater Chicago, the Concrete Contractors Association of Greater Chicago, S.O.C.I./C.A.W.C.C., the Lake County Contractors Association, the Contractors Association of Will and Grundy Counties, the Fox Valley General Contractors Association, the Chicago Demolition Contractors Association, the Illinois Environmental Contractors Association, and all other Associations with whom the District Council or any of its affiliated local unions has a duly negotiated agreement, and re-establishes all agreements from June 1, 1975 together with all amendments thereto. Where no current Association agreement is negotiated, the terms of the most recent expired agreement are incorporated herein with all terms, conditions and rates extended for the duration hereof, until a current agreement is negotiated. The terms of the most recent expired agreement shall be incorporated retroactively herein. It is further agreed that where a contractor works in the jurisdiction of any local UNION, then the Association agreement covering the local UNION is hereby specifically incorporated in this agreement and shall supersede the standard District Council agreements in the case of any conflict between the District Council agreement and the local Association agreement. Nothing herein shall limit the jurisdiction of this Agreement to less than that provided in this Agreement.

3. The EMPLOYER agrees to pay the amounts that it is bound to pay under said Collective Bargaining Agreements to the HEALTH AND WELFARE DEPARTMENT OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND GENERAL LABORERS' DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CHICAGO AND VICINITY, the LABORERS' PENSION FUND, the CONSTRUCTION AND GENERAL LABORERS' DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CHICAGO AND VICINITY TRAINING TRUST FUND, the CHICAGO AREA LABORERS-EMPLOYERS COOPERATION EDUCATION TRUST ("LECET"), and to all other designated Unaffiliated benefit funds, and to become bound by and be considered a party to the Agreements and Declarations of Trust creating said Trust Funds as if it had signed the original copies of the Trust Instruments and amendments thereto. The EMPLOYER ratifies and confirms the appointment of the EMPLOYER Trustees who shall, together with their successor Trustees, designated in the manner provided in said Agreements and Declaration of Trusts and jointly with an equal number of Trustees appointed by the UNION, carry out the terms and conditions of the Trust Instruments.

The EMPLOYER further affirms and re-establishes that all prior contributions paid to the Welfare, Pension, Training and LECET Funds were made by duly authorized agents of the EMPLOYER at the proper time, for the appropriate periods of time, and that by making said prior contributions the EMPLOYER evidenced the intent to be bound by the terms of the Trust Agreement and Collective Bargaining Agreements which were operative at the time the contributions were made, acknowledging the report form to be a sufficient instrument in writing to bind the EMPLOYER to the applicable agreements.

4. Employees covered by this Working Agreement shall retain all of the work traditionally performed by members of the UNION. The EMPLOYER agrees that it will not cause any such traditionally performed work to be done at a construction site by employees other than those covered by this Memorandum of Agreement, except with the prior written consent of the UNION. Any EMPLOYER, whether acting as a contractor, general manager or developer, who contracts out or sublets any of the work coming within the jurisdiction of the UNION, shall assume the obligations of any such subcontractor for prompt payment of employees' wages and other benefits, including reasonable attorneys' fees incurred in enforcing the provisions hereof. Notwithstanding any agreement to the contrary, the EMPLOYER'S violation of any provision of this paragraph will give the UNION the right to take any other lawful action, including all remedies at law or equity.

5. In the event of any change in the ownership, management or operation of the EMPLOYER'S business by sale or otherwise, it is agreed that as a condition of such transfer or change that the new owner and management shall be duly bound by the terms and conditions of this Agreement. This Agreement is applicable to all successors and transferees of the EMPLOYER, whether corporate or otherwise. The EMPLOYER shall provide ten (10) days prior notice to the Union of the sale or transfer.

6. The negotiated wage and fringe benefit contribution rates in the various Collective Bargaining Agreements are as follows:

June 1, 1998	\$24.25 Per Hour Wage
	\$ 3.27 Per Hour Health and Welfare Fund
	\$ 2.05 Per Hour Pension Fund
	\$.10 Per Hour Training Fund (plus additional amounts in Association agreement)
May 31, 1999	\$.02 Per Hour MCIAF (if applicable in Association agreement)
	\$.02 Per Hour LECET (to be deducted from MCIAF if LECET contribution is not provided in Association agreement)
	\$.01 Per Hour Chicago and State Council (if applicable)
	In addition, the Employer shall pay other amounts if provided in appropriate Association agreements for industry funds.
June 1, 1999	\$ 1.25 Per Hour Increase for the year June 1, 1999 through May 31, 2000 to be allocated between wages and fringe benefits by the Union in its sole discretion.
to	Welfare, Pension, Training and LECET Funds contributions to remain the same unless additional sums are allocated.
May 31, 2000	
June 1, 2000	\$ 1.35 Per Hour Increase for the year June 1, 2000 through May 31, 2001, to be allocated between wages and fringe benefits by the Union in its sole discretion.
to	Welfare, Pension, Training and LECET Funds contributions remain the same unless additional sums are allocated.
May 31, 2001	

All additional wage rates, dues schedule, and fringe benefits that are negotiated or become effective after May 31, 2001, shall be incorporated in this Memorandum of Agreement.

7. Effective June 1, 1998, all EMPLOYERS covered by this Memorandum of Agreement incorporating the various Collective Bargaining Agreements shall deduct from the wages of employees covered by the said contract, uniform working dues in the amount of 1.5% of gross wages, or as determined by the UNION, and shall remit monthly to the UNION office designated to the EMPLOYER by the District Council the sums so deducted, together with an accurate list of employees from whom wages and dues were deducted and the amounts applicable to each employee, not later than the 15th day of the month following the month for which said deductions were made.

8. It is the intention of the parties that such deductions shall comply with the requirements of Section 302(c)(4) of the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947, as amended and such deductions be made only pursuant to written agreements from each employee on whose account such deductions are made, which assignment shall not be irrevocable for a period of more than one year or beyond the termination date of the Memorandum of Agreement, whichever occurs sooner.

9. This Agreement shall remain in full force and effect through May 31, 2001 (unless an applicable Association agreement is of longer duration) and shall continue thereafter unless there has been given written notice, by registered or certified mail by either party hereto, received no less than sixty (60) nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the expiration date, of the desire to modify or amend this Agreement through negotiations. In the absence of such notice the EMPLOYER and the UNION agree to be bound by the new time-wise negotiated contract with the various Associations incorporating them into this Agreement and extending this Agreement for the life of the newly negotiated contract.

10. The EMPLOYER acknowledges and accepts the facsimile signatures on this contract as if they were the original signatures. The EMPLOYER further acknowledges receipt of a copy of the complete Joint Working Agreement. Upon request of the UNION, the EMPLOYER shall execute another agreement that reflects the final contract settlements incorporated herein.

Dated 6/15 99
month / day year

ACCEPTED:
Laborers' Local Union No. 76

By: _____
CONSTRUCTION AND GENERAL LABORERS'
DISTRICT COUNCIL OF CHICAGO AND VICINITY

By: Robert E. Bloch, Treasurer

For Office Use Only: _____

Pendleton Industries Inc.
(Employer)

By: Jeffrey W. Peistrop - Controller
(Print Name and Title)

[Signature]
(Signature)
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(Address)

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LOCAL UNION

EXHIBIT

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**CONSTRUCTION AND GENERAL
LABORERS' DISTRICT COUNCIL
OF CHICAGO AND VICINITY**

EXHIBIT
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(d) The terms and conditions of this Agreement shall apply to all Bargaining Unit work performed by the Employer performing such work indirectly if such work is performed by any business entity controlled by the Employer, of if the Employer is a corporation, controlled by the person who controls the Employer.

(e) The Employer shall notify the Union of all non-signatory subcontractors prior to such subcontractors commencing work. Upon request of the Union, any subcontractor that fails to become signatory to the Union labor contract within 24 hours of the Union's request shall be removed from the job site.

(f) The Employer shall not be liable for the wages and fringe benefits owed by the subcontractor. However, should the Employer either fail to timely notify the Union of a non-signatory subcontractor, or fail to remove the non-signatory subcontractor within 24 hours upon the Union's request, the Employer shall pay to the Union, and its employees on the jobsite, an amount to equal to the difference between the subcontractor's aggregate wages and benefits and the amount set forth in this Agreement for the entire period that the subcontractor works with a Union agreement on the job site.

Article VIII WAGES

Paragraph 1. The rates of wages exclusive of fringe benefits to be paid in this trade for the period June 1, 2006 to and including May 31, 2010, shall be as set forth below for the respective following classifications as further defined herein.

The wage rates include an increase of \$2.90 per hour effective June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007 for a wage rate of \$31.55 per hour which includes the dues deduction. June 1, 2007 to May 31, 2008, \$3.00 per hour increase to be allocated between wages, fringe benefits and other funds by the Union in its sole discretion. June 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009, \$3.00 per hour increase to be

allocated between wages and fringe benefits by the Union in its sole discretion. June 1, 2009 to May 31, 2010, \$3.10 per hour increase to be allocated between wages, fringe benefits and other funds by the Union in its sole discretion.

CLASSIFICATION

Employees shall receive the following hourly premiums in the classifications set forth below:

Building Laborers	\$0.00
Fire Brick Work and Boiler	
Settler Laborers	\$.325
Jackhammerman (On	
Firebrick Work Only)	\$.575
Boiler Setter Plastic	
Laborers	\$.45
Chimney Laborers	
(Over 40 Feet)	\$.10
Chimney on Firebrick	\$.35
Scaffold Laborers	\$.10
Caisson Diggers	\$.35
Jackhammerman	\$.225
Power Driven Concrete Saws,	
Other Power Equipment	\$.225
Stone Derrickman and	
Handlers	\$.20
Fireproofing and Fire	
Shop Laborers	\$.00
Well Point System Men	\$.35
Pumps for Dewatering, other	
Unclassified Laborers	\$0.00
Windlass and Capstan	
Person	\$.15
Cement Gun Nozzle	
Laborers (Gunite)	\$.15
Cement Gun Laborers	\$.075
Plaster Laborers	\$0.00
Construction Specialist	\$0.00

Sub-Foremen shall receive \$.75 premium wages over and above top Laborers' Scale under his supervision.

Building Labor Foremen shall receive \$1.50 premium wages over and above top Laborers' Scale under his supervision.

General Foremen shall receive \$2.00 premium wages over and above top Laborers' Scale under his supervision.

Superintendents shall receive \$3.00 premium wages over and above top Laborers' Scale under his supervision.

Dosimeter Use: A premium of One (\$1.00) Dollar per hour shall be paid to any Laborer required to work with a dosimeter used for monitoring nuclear exposure or with any similar instrument or measuring device.

Power Pac: When a Laborer uses a power driven piece of equipment he shall be paid the rate of pay of the tool at the end of the power pac.

Asbestos Use: Regular rate shall apply. No premium shall be paid.

Paragraph 2. APPRENTICE PROGRAM

Section 1. APPRENTICE COMMITTEE: The Employer hereby agrees that the Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee (JATC) shall have the authority to establish rules for the apprentice program, including penalties for violations of the apprenticeship rules, which are incorporated herein by reference. The Employer agrees to be bound by the Agreements and Declarations of Trust establishing the Laborers' Apprentice and Training Fund, as well as any amendments thereto, and agrees to be bound by all actions taken by the Trustees of that fund pursuant to the Agreement and Declaration of Trust.

Section 2. APPRENTICE PROGRAM FUNDING: The apprenticeship program administered by the JATC shall be self sustaining. In addition to the sums set forth in Article IX, Paragraph 2 of the Agreement, effective

January 1, 1999, or on the date when the Association elects to participate in the program, whichever is later, the Employer shall also contribute to the Training Fund an additional contribution of five cents (\$.05) per hour for each hour worked by all employees covered by this agreement, or a lesser amount as may be determined by the JATC. Effective June 1, 1999 and June 1, 2000, or on the date when the Association elects to participate in the program, whichever is later, the contribution shall be increased as determined by the JATC, but in no event shall the aggregate contributions under this paragraph 2 exceed five cents (\$.05) over the term of this Agreement.

Section 3. The term of apprenticeship shall be 4,000 hours, or two years, whichever occurs later. All Health and Welfare, Pension, Training Fund, Industry Advancement and other contributions required under this Agreement will commence immediately upon employment of an apprentice. Union affiliation will be required after seven (7) days of employment.

Section 4. The wages per hour paid to apprentices shall be as follows:

1st six (6) months:	60% of journeyman (base) wages
2nd six (6) months:	70% of journeyman (base) wages
3rd six (6) months:	80% of journeyman (base) wages
4th six (6) months:	90% of journeyman (base) wages
After 24 months:	100% of journeyman (base) wages

Section 5. The ratio of journeymen to Apprentices shall be six (6) laborer journeymen to one (1) laborer apprentice on a company-wide basis, with no more than twenty percent (20%) of laborers being apprentices on any one job site of the Employer. Employers who employ a maximum of between one (1) and five (5) laborer journeymen shall be entitled to one (1) laborer apprentice, who may be assigned to job sites irrespective of the twenty percent (20%) job site maximum specified in this provision.

Section 6. Referral of apprentices will be through the Local Union with jurisdiction over the job site. All apprentices must be referred by the Local Union from approved JATC apprentices. Employers requesting apprentices will be assigned an apprentice from the available JATC apprentice pool. The JATC can limit the number of apprentices to that which is adequate for current needs and which can be properly trained by the program. Employers may recall their laid off apprentices to work, provided that the Employer complies with the ratios set forth in Paragraph 5. All apprentices must report their hours weekly to the JATC. All apprentices will be tested for the presence of illegal substances at the time they enter the apprentice program.

Paragraph 3. WELFARE: Beginning the period from June 1, 2006 to May 31, 2007, the Employer agrees to make Health and Welfare contributions of \$7.46 per hour for each hour worked by all Employees covered by this Agreement in addition to the wages herein stipulated. This \$7.46 per hour shall be paid to the Health and Welfare Department of Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity or a designated appointee at the end of each month.

That for the periods June 1, 2007 to May 31, 2008; June 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009, June 1, 2009 to May 31, 2010; that on May 1 of each year, if able, but not later than June 1, the Union in its sole discretion, shall determine the amount of additional contributions to Welfare and/or Pension and Training and other funds to be allocated from the economic package for that year. (See Article VIII, Paragraph 1)

The Employer agrees to be bound by the Agreements and Declarations of Trust establishing the Health and Welfare Department of Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity, as well as any amendments thereto, and agrees to be bound by all actions taken by the Trustees of that fund pursuant to the Agreements and Declarations of Trust.

Paragraph 4. PENSION: Beginning June 1, 2006 the Employer agrees to make a pension contribution of \$4.84 per hour for each hour worked by all Employees covered by this Agreement in addition to the wages and welfare payments herein stipulated. This \$4.84 per hour shall be paid to the Laborers' Pension Fund or to a designated appointee at the end of each month.

That for the periods June 1, 2007 to May 31, 2008; June 1, 2008 to May 31, 2009, June 1, 2009 to May 31, 2010; that on May 1 of each year, if able, but not later than June 1, the Union in its sole discretion, shall determine the amount of additional contributions to Welfare and/or Pension and Training and other funds to be allocated from the economic package for that year. (See Article VIII, Paragraph 1)

The Employer agrees to be bound by the Agreements and Declarations of Trust establishing the Laborers' Pension Fund, as well as any amendments thereto, and agrees to be bound by all actions taken by the Trustees of that fund pursuant to the Agreements and Declarations of Trust.

The parties agree that the Employer shall make lump sum contributions to employee fringe benefit accounts, administered by the Trustees on behalf of each employee. It is further agreed that such contribution shall be accompanied by a breakdown of payment according to appropriate benefits.

The Trustees of the Welfare Fund and the Trustees of the Pension Fund shall, among other things, have authority to determine the type and amount of benefits to be provided in each of said funds, the eligibility rules governing entitlement to benefits, and whether and to what extent benefits are to be provided for covered Employees.

The failure of the Employer to contribute to the said Welfare or Pension Funds when the same is established, as provided herein, shall for the purposes of the remedies the Union may pursue, be deemed the same as the failure of

the Employer to pay wages, and the Union shall be permitted to remove workers whom they represent for non-payment of such contributions, anything to the contrary in this Agreement notwithstanding.

A grace period of thirty (30) days shall be granted for Employers to submit reports and contributions as provided. Said reports and contributions not received during this grace period shall be assessed liquidated damages amounting to ten (10%) percent of the amount of the contributions which are owed. The Employer acknowledges that the liquidated damages shall be used to defer administrative costs arising by said delinquency and acknowledges the costs to be actual and substantial, though difficult to ascertain. However, the Employer acknowledges these costs to be at a minimum of ten (10%) percent, waiving the necessity of any additional proof thereof. In addition, the delinquent contributions shall bear interest at a maximum legal rate of interest per annum from the due date until they are paid.

Further, in the event the Trustees place the account in the hands of legal counsel for collection, the delinquent Employer shall be liable for reasonable attorneys' fees, and for all reasonable costs incurred in the collection process, including court fees, audit fees, etc.

Reasonable attorneys' fees shall mean: All reasonable attorneys' fees in the amounts for which the Trustees become legally bound to pay, including recovery of liquidated damages, interests, audit costs, filing fees, and any other expenses incurred by the Trustees.

The Trustees of the aforementioned Welfare and Pension Funds and the Union shall have the authority to audit the books and records of a participating Employer, either directly or through their authorized representative, whenever such examination is deemed necessary for the purpose of compliance with the provisions of this Agreement.

Each participating Employer shall make its books and records available to the Trustees for such purpose. In the event the audit discloses that the Employer, during the period of the audit, has underpaid its contributions and/or wages, the Employer shall be liable for the costs of the examination, including but not limited to, audit fees and reasonable attorneys' fees. The Trustees' authority to waive any costs shall be governed by the terms of the Trust Agreement.

Paragraph 5. Section 415 Excess Benefit Fund. A Section 415 Excess Benefit Fund shall be established for the purpose of providing alternative benefit to any employees of the Employer who become unable to receive the entire amount of the accrued pension benefits to which they would be entitled under one or more of the pension plans sponsored by their Employer because of limitations established by Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code. The Employer may be required and directed by the Board of Trustees of the Excess Benefit Fund to contribute a portion of its agreed-upon "pension" contribution to the Section 415 Excess Benefit Fund and shall not increase the Employer's cost beyond the amount that the Employer is obligated to contribute to the Laborers' Pension Fund and that the funding of the Section 415 Excess Benefit Fund shall be fully tax deductible to the Employer for Federal Income Tax purposes. The Employer hereby agrees that the Board of Trustees of any such Section 415 Excess Benefit Fund shall be authorized to determine each year the amount that will be contributed by the Employer and the amount to be credited to the account of any eligible retiree for payment in lieu of accrued benefits that would exceed the limits set by Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Paragraph 6. SUPERVISORS: To the extent permissible by the Internal Revenue Service or any Federal Act, and for the purposes of Paragraphs 3 and 4 of Article VIII of this Agreement only, the bargaining unit shall also include those persons in the employ of an Employer who are supervisors, as defined in the Labor Management

Relations Act, as amended; and who at one time were Employee members of the bargaining unit herein on whose behalf contributions were required to be made to the trust funds described in the aforesaid Paragraph 3 and 4 of Article VIII hereof.

Paragraph 7. Appointment of Trustees to the Health and Welfare Department of Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity and the Laborers' Pension Fund. The parties agree that the Employer-appointed trustees of the Health and Welfare Department of Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity and the Laborers' Pension Fund and training and apprentice funds to which Employers are required to contribute shall be appointed solely by Employer associations that enter into collective bargaining agreements with the Union requiring contributions to such funds ("Signatory Associations"). It is further agreed that the Trust Agreements establishing such funds shall be amended to replace any Employer association that appoints a trustee and does not have a labor agreement with the Union, replacing it with a Signatory Association. The union and Signatory Associations shall meet within 30 days of the effective dates of agreements covering a majority of Fund participants to review the appointment of Employer Trustees of the funds. It is agreed that the numbers of hours contributed by Employers represented by Signatory Associations compared to contributions by other Signatory Associations during the preceding year shall be the basis for assigning the number of trustee appointments. If such parties are unable to agree on the Signatory Associations to be responsible for appointments and the number of appointments to be made by each Signatory Association the dispute shall be submitted to expedited arbitration under Subpart D of the Policies and Procedures of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service.

Paragraph 8. Article III Section 2 of the trust agreements of the Health and Welfare Department of Construction and General Laborers' District Council of

Chicago and Vicinity and the Laborers' Pension Fund shall be amended to include the following: "Association-appointed Trustees must be full-time employees of Contributing Employers within the Association's membership. A Contributing Employer shall be defined as an Employer that has employed an average of five (5) or more Laborers performing bargaining unit work for whom contributions have been made per month in each of the previous three (3) calendar years."

Paragraph 9. The Employer agrees to bound by the Agreements and Declarations of Trust, as well as any amendments thereto, establishing the Chicagoland Laborers' Vacation Fund, a jointly-trusted vacation plan established for the purpose of providing income to members during their winter layoffs. Contributions to the Fund will be allocated in the Union's sole discretion from the total economic increase.

Paragraph 10. The Employer agrees to bound by the Agreements and Declarations of Trust, as well as any amendments thereto, establishing the Chicagoland Laborers' Annuity Fund, a jointly-trusted defined contribution plan providing a supplemental retirement benefit. Contributions to the Fund will be allocated in the Union's sole discretion from the total economic increase.

Paragraph 11. Special Rules for Bonding. An employer that is owned or managed, in whole or part, by an individual who currently has or previously had in the last ten (10) years ownership or principal managerial responsibility for another contributing employer that currently is or ceased doing business when delinquent to the Funds shall be required to post for the benefit of the Funds an additional cash bond or obtain a surety bond from a Fund-approved insurer in an amount equal to twice the amount of the other contributing employer's delinquency. This amount may be adjusted by the Benefit Fund Trustees for each individual employer. This bond shall be in addition to and separate from the bond required elsewhere in this Agreement.

- (g) Name and business organization of successor;
- (h) Admission to or withdrawal from any association operating as a multi-Employer bargaining unit.

Article X INDUSTRY FUND

Paragraph 1. Each Employer shall pay the amount of seven cents (\$.07) for each hour worked by those employees covered under this Agreement to the CCA Industry Advancement Fund ("Industry Fund") and shall also pay the amount of six cents (\$.06) for each hour worked by those employees covered under this Agreement to the Chicago-area Laborers-Employees Cooperation Education Trust ("LECET") and shall also pay the amount of twelve cents (\$.12) for each hour worked by those employees to the Laborers' District Council Labor-Management Cooperation Committee ("LDC/LMCC").

Paragraph 2. The Employer agrees to be bound by the Agreements and Declarations of Trust establishing the Industry Fund, LECET, and the LDC/LMCC, and all amendments thereto, and agrees to be bound by all actions taken by the Trustees of those funds pursuant to the Agreement and Declaration of Trust of those funds.

Paragraph 3. Should any Employer fail to make payments to the Industry Fund, LECET Fund or LDC/LMCC, the Employer shall be liable for and pay, in addition to the delinquent contributions, interest at a rate of ten percent (10%) per year for such delinquencies, and to pay all costs of collection, including audit expenses and attorney fees and costs.

Paragraph 12. OUT OF TOWN WORK. When Laborers who reside or work in the nine-county geographic area covered by this Agreement are asked to work at locations outside these nine counties, the Employer shall continue to report and pay benefits for all hours worked outside the nine counties. If the work performed is covered under a labor agreement with the Laborers' International Union of North America or its affiliates, the Employer shall report and pay the benefit contributions to the fringe benefit fund identified, and the contribution rates specified, under that labor agreement. If the work performed is not covered under a labor agreement with the Laborers' International Union of North America or its affiliates, then the Employer shall report and pay the benefit contributions to the fringe benefit funds identified, and the contribution rates specified, under this Agreement.

Article IX BONDING

All Employers shall procure, carry and maintain a surety bond in form and amount satisfactory to the Union, but not less than in the principal sum of \$5,000.00, to guarantee payment of wages, Pension and Welfare Trust contributions, during the term of this Agreement.

The Employer shall give notice to the Union and the appropriate Fund Office in writing not later than ten (10) days after the occurrence of any of the following events relating to the Employer, occurring after the date hereof:

- (a) Formation of Partnerships;
- (b) Termination of business;
- (c) Change of name commonly used in business operation;
- (d) Change in form of business organization;
- (e) Incorporation of business;
- (f) Dissolution of corporation;

**RESTATED AGREEMENT
AND
DECLARATION OF TRUST**

CREATING

**LABORERS'
PENSION FUND**

With Amendments Through
May 31, 2002



- (b) To enforce the provisions of the Pension Plan and the rules and regulations adopted by the Trustees in a uniform manner with respect to individuals similarly situated.
- (c) To determine questions arising under the Pension Plan or this Agreement, including the power to determine the rights of Employees and their Beneficiaries, and their respective benefits, and to remedy ambiguities, inconsistencies or omissions.

ARTICLE VII

FUNDING PENSION PLAN BENEFITS

Section I. IN GENERAL. In order to fund the benefits provided under the Pension Plan, each Employer, for the period that it is obligated by a Written Agreement, shall make contributions to the Trustees at the times required by that agreement. The rate of contributions shall be determined by the applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement or Participation Agreement, together with any amendments, supplements or modifications thereto. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, if an Employer is required to make contributions by reason of a Participation or other Written Agreement that is not a Collective Bargaining Agreement, the amount of its contributions shall be the same as the amount required by the Collective Bargaining Agreement in effect between the Employer Association and the Union which covers Employees performing similar work. No

Employee shall be permitted to contract or otherwise agree with or permit his Employer to provide wage or benefit payments which do not conform with the amount of contributions required under the provisions of a Collective Bargaining Agreement or Participation Agreement and any such contract or agreement shall be null and void. It shall not be a defense to any claim by the Trustees or an Employee for payment of delinquent contributions from an Employer that such Employer has entered into an agreement with any Employee purporting to waive the Employee's right to strict compliance with the provisions of the applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement or a Participation Agreement. All contributions shall be paid in the manner and form required by the Trustees.

Section 2. DEFAULT IN PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS. Nonpayment by an Employer of any contributions when due shall not relieve any other Employer of his obligation to make payments. The Trustees may take any action necessary to enforce payment of the contributions and penalties due hereunder, including, but not limited to, proceedings at law and in equity. Any such action shall not prejudice the Union in any action it may wish to take on account of such nonpayment. The Trustees are authorized to establish a reasonable and lawful grace period by which contributions must be received; Employers making contributions that are not received before the expiration of said period and any Employer making late payments due under an installment agreement shall be assessed liquidated damages of 10% of the amount of the contributions which are owed. All Employers party to or otherwise bound by this Agreement acknowledge that the

liquidated damages will be used to defer administrative costs arising by said delinquency and acknowledge the costs to be actual and substantial though difficult to ascertain; however the Employers acknowledge these costs to be at a minimum of 10%, waiving the necessity of any additional proof thereof. In addition, the delinquent contributions and any payments owed by an Employer pursuant to an installment agreement, shall bear interest up to the prime rate of interest plus two points charged by the Fund's custodian bank (or any other bank selected by the Trustees) or such other lawful amount as determined by the Trustees from the due date until totally satisfied. The Trustees are hereby given the power and authority to delegate the collection of contributions to a Collection Committee, which, in its discretion, may assess a lesser or greater amount or waive or suspend payment of liquidated damages, interest, audit fees or investigative costs in accordance with rules and procedures adopted by the Collection Committee and to compromise claims for delinquent contributions and related liabilities and collection costs where appropriate to settle cases favorably for the Fund. The Collection Committee may include trustees of the Laborers' Welfare Fund as members of the Committee.

In the event an Employer party to this Agreement or otherwise bound thereby becomes delinquent in his contributions or an installment agreement, or fails to post a bond as required, said delinquent Employer shall be liable for reasonable attorneys' fees and for all reasonable costs incurred in the collection process, including court fees, audit fees, investigative costs, etc. The term "reasonable attorneys' fees" as used herein shall mean all

attorneys' fees in the amounts for which the Trustees become legally obligated including recovery of liquidated damages, audit costs, filing fees and any other expenses incurred by the Trustees.

The Trustees are hereby given the power and authority, in their discretion, to require any Employer to deposit with the Trustees, in advance, as a guarantee for the payment of monthly contributions, an amount equal to three (3) times the monthly contributions of such Employer, as estimated by the Trustees. At the option of the Trustees the Employer shall furnish the Trustees, in lieu of any cash deposit, a bond in an amount not less than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) or in an amount consistent with the terms of the current collective bargaining agreements. In the event an Employer is repeatedly delinquent in its contribution payments to the Pension Fund, the Trustees have the power and authority to require that Employer to purchase a bond in excess of \$5,000.00 or the amounts set forth in the current collective bargaining agreements, in an amount equal to three (3) times the highest monthly contributions of the Employer in the twelve months prior to any delinquency. The Trustees, in their discretion, may also waive the requirement of a cash deposit or a surety bond in lieu of a personal guaranty when such waiver is warranted.

Section 3. REPORT ON CONTRIBUTIONS AND PRODUCTION OF RECORDS. The Employers shall make all reports on contributions required by the Trustees. Each Employer shall promptly furnish to the Trustees, on demand, the names of its employees, their social security numbers, the hours worked by each employee, and such

other information as the Trustees may reasonably require in connection with the administration of the Trust and Pension Plan. The Trustees may at any time have an audit made by an independent certified public accountant or its representatives of the payroll of any Employer in connection with the said contributions and/or reports. All Employers shall be required to maintain records in compliance with procedures developed and communicated by the Administrator from the beginning of such Employer's participation in the Pension Fund forward unless given written authorization by the Administrator upon request to destroy said record. The Administrator shall require the Employer to designate the classification of all of his employees and if the Employer fails to do so, the Trustees shall conduct an investigation for the purpose of determining the classification of such employees and the results of said investigation shall be conclusive. Attached hereto as Addendum A are the current collection policies concerning Scheduling of Audits and Retention and Production of Employer Records adopted by the Trustees.

ARTICLE VIII

FILING CLAIMS AND REVIEW OF DENIALS OF CLAIM

Section 1. FILING OF A CLAIM. Claims for the payment of any benefits provided by the Pension Plan shall be filed, in writing, in accordance with the Rules and Regulations set forth in Article 7 of the Pension Plan.

ADDENDUM A

RECORDS REQUIRED TO BE RETAINED BY EMPLOYERS AND PRODUCED FOR AUDITS

The following records shall be maintained and retained by all contributing employers to the Benefit Funds for at least six years from the contribution date and shall be produced for inspection and copying by an auditor of the Benefit Funds upon written request:

1. Quarterly and annual payroll tax returns, including, but not limited to, federal quarterly form 941's, federal annual form W-2's, W-3's, 940's, 1099's and state quarterly unemployment returns (form UC-3).
2. Payroll journals and/or registers which include or identify employees' social security numbers, hourly rates of pay, hours worked and the time period in which the work was performed.
3. Individual earnings records for all employees of the employer not shown on payroll journals or registers, including social security number and work classification (or code or clock or ID number), hourly rates of pay, hours worked and the time period in which the work was performed.
4. Cash disbursement journals and general ledgers.
5. Copies of all contribution reports and proof of payment (canceled checks or records of canceled checks) of all contributions to the Laborers' Funds and to all other trade union fringe benefit funds to which the employer contributed.
6. Copies of all dues records and proof of payment (canceled checks or records of canceled checks) of all union dues submitted to the Laborers' District Council.
7. Records showing all amounts paid to all persons or entities that performed work for the employer as independent contractors or subcontractors, if any, including copies of any federal form 1099's issued by the employer.
8. Daily time records filed by employees or supervisors.
9. Source documents and lists of job codes and equipment codes.
10. Certified payrolls for public sector jobs where such payrolls are required.
11. Employee personnel files including, but not limited to, last known addresses and telephone numbers, any documents which demonstrate employees' job classifications and/or status as an apprentice, journeyman, foreman, superintendent, or supervisor. (Confidential medical records or other private records not relevant to the establishment of an employee's job classification shall not be disclosed.)

12. Bank account statements and canceled checks from any account used in conjunction with the employer's business.

13. If records of all hours worked, rates of pay and classifications are not provided in the records listed in items 1 through 10, the employer shall maintain monthly lists of all employees not shown on payroll records, showing Social Security number and work classification (or code or clock or ID number), rates of pay and hours worked.

Honor Roll Employers shall be required only to produce basic records needed by the Benefit Funds' auditors to do an audit, specifically items 1 through 7 above. However, if an initial examination of such limited records discloses significant record keeping errors or failures to contribute, the auditor may request additional records listed above. In the absence of evidence of a deliberate failure by an Honor Roll Employer to contribute on behalf of a bargaining unit employee, the rebuttable presumptions provided for in the attached Policy for Retention and Production of Employer Records shall not apply to such Honor Roll Employer.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Collection Committee or the Director of the Field Department may, in their discretion, determine that a full audit shall be done of any employer or that, where a sampling audit is to be conducted, specific records shall be produced. The judgment of the trustees in interpreting and applying this policy shall be conclusive and binding on all parties.

Adopted January 9, 2002

LABORERS' PENSION AND WELFARE FUNDS

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WHEREAS, Section 209 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 , as amended ("ERISA"), 29 U.S.C. Section 1059, requires employers obligated to contribute to employee benefit funds to maintain records with respect to its employees which are sufficient to determine benefits due to such employees of which may become due to them; and

WHEREAS, the Trustees of the Laborers' Pension Fund and the Trustees of the Health and Welfare Department of the Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity (collectively, the "Benefit Funds") have the authority under their respective Trust Agreements to establish rules, regulations and policies regarding records which must be maintained by employers in order to administer the Benefit Funds; and

WHEREAS, the Trustees of the Benefit Funds have found that most contributing employers maintain proper records and make all required contributions to the Benefit Funds, nevertheless, there are employers who are bound by the Trust Agreements of the Benefit Funds who fail to maintain records which are adequate for the Funds to determine whether proper contributions have been made on behalf of eligible employees and that some of such employers do so deliberately in order to avoid their obligations to make such payments; and

WHEREAS, the practices of employers who fail to maintain records sufficient to enable the Benefit Funds to conduct thorough payroll audits cause their employees to lose valuable pension and welfare benefits and cause the Benefit Funds to lose contractually required contributions and investment earnings on those contributions; and

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NOW THEREFORE, the Trustees resolve that the following policies are adopted by the Benefit Funds effective as of March 1, 2002:

1. Except as otherwise provided herein, all contributing employers to the Benefit Funds shall maintain and make available for inspection and copying by an auditor of the Benefit Funds the records listed on Appendix A, attached hereto.

2. Any employer obligated to contribute to the Benefit Funds who fails to maintain and make available for inspection and copying to an auditor of the Benefit Funds the requisite records listed on Appendix A shall bear the burden of proof with respect to the exclusion of any employee from coverage by the collective bargaining agreement with the Union. In those cases where an employer asserts that an employee is excluded because he/she is a member of another bargaining unit, the employer must submit tangible evidence of that fact, e.g., a union membership card, contribution records maintained for the benefit funds of the other bargaining unit, commercial drivers' license if it is asserted that an employee is a truck driver rather than a laborer and workers' compensation policies, forms and applications listing an employee's job classification or other business records. The affidavit of an employer's representative or officer unsupported by documentary evidence shall not be sufficient to meet the employer's burden of proof. Affidavits solicited and obtained ex parte by an employer's representative from employees, for which there is no corroborative evidence in the form of records maintained in the ordinary course of business, shall not be sufficient to meet the employer's burden of proof.

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4. An employer that fails to maintain the requisite records and fails to cooperate with the Trustees in establishing the paid wage rates, actual hours of work and contributions owed to the Benefit Funds shall be liable to the Benefit Funds and any related organizations, for the contribution amounts determined as provided herein and also for 20% liquidated damages, compound interest at the rate of prime plus 2 points (as determined by the Administrator), auditor's and attorney's fees and any other expenses of collection including investigative costs.

LABORERS' PENSION AND WELFARE FUNDS

POLICY FOR SCHEDULING OF AUDITS

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Contributing employers to the Laborers' Pension Fund and the Health and Welfare Department of Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity (collectively, the "Benefit Funds"), shall be audited periodically in accordance with the procedures adopted by the Collection Committee of the Benefit Funds. The Director of the Field Department, in cooperation with the Benefit Funds' auditors, shall prepare a schedule for auditing contributing employers in accordance with the following procedures.

Two types of audits shall be conducted: "full audits" in which payroll and other records on all employees are examined and "sampling audits" in which a selection of payroll and other records are tested to enable the compliance auditor to make a reasonable determination that there are no delinquencies. A sampling audit should include a review of all types of records (e.g. payroll records, tax records, cash disbursement records, reports to other benefit funds, etc.) Where a sampling audit discloses delinquencies or related record discrepancies, a full audit shall be conducted.

Employers shall be scheduled for either full audits or sampling audits in groups based upon the contribution histories of the employers. Either a sampling or full audit shall be conducted at least once every five (5) years. Any employer that fails to schedule an audit and submit records for review within 45 days from the date of the audit request will be liable for all costs of compelling and enforcing the audit request. The following procedures shall be used:

AUDIT PERIOD

1. **New Employers.** New employers shall be scheduled for audits within the first year in which contributions to the Benefit Funds are required.

2. **Honor Roll Employers.** Employers with a history of adequate record keeping and timely, payments to the Benefit Funds ("Honor Roll Employers"), shall be required to submit to audits every three (3) to five (5) years. Following an audit showing adequate record keeping and correct payments, such an employer shall be designated an Honor Roll Employer and shall be selected randomly for an audit between the third and fifth year thereafter. (Such employers may opt for a scheduled audit every three years.) An inadvertent shortage of no more than the greater of \$1000 or two percent (2%) of required contributions determined on a full audit covering three or more years of contributions to the Benefit Funds shall not disqualify an employer from inclusion in this group.

3. **Other Contributing Employers.** Employers that are not classified as New or Honor Roll Employers or who have been assessed significant delinquencies to the Benefit Funds or any of the ancillary funds to which contributions are owed pursuant to the collective bargaining agreements of the Laborers' District Council shall be scheduled for full audits at least once every three (3) years.

4. Employers Subject to Special Audits. At the discretion of the Director of the Field Department full audits of employers obligated to contribute to the Benefit Funds may be conducted at any time based upon information concerning possible delinquencies, e.g., failure to file monthly remittance reports, failure to pay contractually required wage rates, information concerning a possible closing or sale of the business, information that the employer is operating an alter ego or similar bases suggesting possible delinquencies.

FULL AND SAMPLING AUDITS

1. New Employers. If there is a sufficient number of employees of a New Employer, the auditor of the Benefit Funds may do a sampling audit to determine if the employer is maintaining accurate records and making required contributions, otherwise the auditor will do a full audit. An important purpose of audits for new employers is to inform employers of the procedures for contributing to the Benefit Funds and the requisite records to be maintained. *

2. Honor Roll Employers. Sampling audits shall be used for Honor Roll Employers if they have sufficient employees to warrant use of sampling methods. If a sampling audit discloses inaccurate or incomplete record keeping or evidence of significant delinquencies, a full audit shall be done.

3. Other Contributing Employers. Full audits shall be conducted if employers are not qualified as New or Honor Roll Employers.

4. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Collection Committee or the Director of the Field Department may, in their discretion, determine that a full audit shall be done of any employer or that, where a sampling audit is to be conducted, specific records shall be produced.*

* For information concerning the requisite records to be maintained, see the Laborers' Pension and Welfare Funds Policy for Retention and Production of Employer Records, effective as of April 1, 2006 and the Records Required to be Retained By Employers and Produced for Audits adopted January 9, 2002.

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ARTICLE VI EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

Section 1. IN GENERAL. In order to fund the Benefits provided for by this Agreement each Employer, for the period that it is obligated by a Written Agreement, shall make contributions to the Trustees pursuant to regulations established by the Trustees at the time required by that agreement. The rate of contributions shall be determined by the applicable Collective Bargaining Agreements or Participation Agreements, together with any amendments, supplements or modifications thereto. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, if an Employer is required to make contributions by reason of a Participation Agreement or other Written Agreement that is not a Collective Bargaining Agreement, the amount of its contributions shall be not less than the amount required by the Collective Bargaining Agreement in effect between the Employer Association and the Union having jurisdiction over the geographic area in which the covered Employees perform their work. No Employer shall be permitted to contract or otherwise agree with or permit his Employer to provide wage or benefit payments which do not conform with the amount of contributions required under the foregoing provisions of this Section and any such contract or agreement shall be null and void. It shall not be a defense to any claim by the Trustees or an Employee for payment of delinquent contributions from an Employer that such Employer had entered into an agreement with any Employee purporting to waive the Employee's right to strict compliance with the provisions of the applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement or a Participation Agreement. All contributions shall be paid in the manner and form required by the Trustees.

Section 2. DEFAULT IN PAYMENT OF CONTRIBUTIONS. Nonpayment by an Employer of any contributions when due shall not relieve any other Employer of his obligation to make payments. The Trustees may take any action necessary to enforce payment of the contributions and penalties due hereunder, including, but not limited to, proceedings at law and in equity. Any such action shall not prejudice the Union in any action it may wish to take on account of such nonpayment. The Trustees are authorized to establish a reasonable and lawful grace period by which contributions must be received; Employers making contributions that are not received before the expiration of said period and any Employer making late payments due under an installment agreement shall be assessed liquidated damages of 10% of the amount of the contributions which are owed. All Employers party to or otherwise bound by this Agreement acknowledge that the liquidated damages will be used to defer administrative costs arising by said delinquency and acknowledge the costs to be actual and substantial though difficult to ascertain; however the Employers acknowledge these costs to be at a minimum of 10% waiving the necessity of any additional proof thereof. In addition, the delinquent contributions and any payments by the Employer pursuant to an installment agreement, shall bear interest, up to the prime rate plus two points, charged by the Fund's custodian bank (or any other bank selected by the Trustees) or such other lawful amount as determined by the Trustees from the due date until totally satisfied. The Trustees are hereby given the power and authority, in their discretion, to assess a lesser amount or to waive or suspend payment of liquidated damages, interest, audit fees or investigative costs in accordance with rules and procedures adopted by the Collection Committee of the Board of Trustees and to compromise claims for delinquent contributions and related liabilities and collection costs where appropriate to settle cases favorably for the Welfare

Fund. The Collection Committee may include trustees of the Laborers' Pension Fund and members of such Collection Committee.

In the event an Employer party to this Agreement or otherwise bound thereby becomes delinquent in his contributions or an installment agreement, or fails to post a bond as required, or refuses to provide the records required to be kept by contributing employers or submit to an audit, said delinquent Employer shall be liable for reasonable attorneys' fees and for all reasonable costs incurred in the collection process, including but not limited to, court fees, audit fees and investigative costs. The term "reasonable attorneys' fees" as used herein shall mean all attorneys' fees in the amounts for which the Trustees become legally obligated for actions seeking delinquent contributions, to compel an audit, or for recovery of liquidated damages, audit costs, filing fees and any other expenses incurred by the Trustees.

The Trustees are hereby given the power and authority in their discretion, to require any Employer to deposit with the Trustees, in advance, as a guarantee for the payment of monthly contributions, an amount equal to three (3) times the monthly contributions of such Employer, as estimated by the Trustees. At the option of the Trustees the Employer shall furnish the Trustees in lieu of any cash deposit a bond in an amount not less than Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), or in an amount consistent with the terms of the current Collective Bargaining Agreement to which the Employer is subject. In the event an Employer is repeatedly delinquent in its contribution payments to the Welfare Fund, the Trustees have the power and authority to require that Employer to purchase a bond in excess of \$5,000.00 or the amounts set forth in the current Collective Bargaining Agreements in an amount equal to three (3) times the highest monthly contributions of the Employer in the twelve months prior to any delinquency. The Trustees, in their discretion, may also waive the requirement of a cash deposit or a surety bond in lieu of a personal guaranty when such waiver is warranted.

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Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Collection Committee or the Director of the Field Department may, in their discretion, determine that a full audit shall be done of any employer or that, where a sampling audit is to be conducted, specific records shall be produced. The judgment of the trustees in interpreting and applying this policy shall be conclusive and binding on all parties.

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4. Employers Subject to Special Audits. At the discretion of the Director of the Field Department full audits of employers obligated to contribute to the Benefit Funds may be conducted at any time based upon information concerning possible delinquencies, e.g., failure to file monthly remittance reports, failure to pay contractually required wage rates, information concerning a possible closing or sale of the business, information that the employer is operating an alter ego or similar bases suggesting possible delinquencies.

FULL AND SAMPLING AUDITS

1. New Employers. If there is a sufficient number of employees of a New Employer, the auditor of the Benefit Funds may do a sampling audit to determine if the employer is maintaining accurate records and making required contributions, otherwise the auditor will do a full audit. An important purpose of audits for new employers is to inform employers of the procedures for contributing to the Benefit Funds and the requisite records to be maintained. *

2. Honor Roll Employers. Sampling audits shall be used for Honor Roll Employers if they have sufficient employees to warrant use of sampling methods. If a sampling audit discloses inaccurate or incomplete record keeping or evidence of significant delinquencies, a full audit shall be done.

3. Other Contributing Employers. Full audits shall be conducted if employers are not qualified as New or Honor Roll Employers.

4. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Collection Committee or the Director of the Field Department may, in their discretion, determine that a full audit shall be done of any employer or that, where a sampling audit is to be conducted, specific records shall be produced.*

* For information concerning the requisite records to be maintained, see the Laborers' Pension and Welfare Funds Policy for Retention and Production of Employer Records, effective as of April 1, 2006 and the Records Required to be Retained By Employers and Produced for Audits adopted January 9, 2002.

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS
EASTERN DIVISION**

**LABORERS' PENSION FUND and)
LABORERS' WELFARE FUND OF THE)
HEALTH AND WELFARE DEPARTMENT)
OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND GENERAL)
LABORERS' DISTRICT COUNCIL OF)
CHICAGO AND VICINITY, and JAMES S.)
JORGENSEN, Administrator of the Funds,)
Plaintiffs,)
v.)
PENDLETON INDUSTRIES, INC., an)
Illinois corporation, and ANGELO CARUSO,)
Defendants.)**

Case No.: 06 C 5941

Judge Hibbler

DECLARATION OF PATRICK T. WALLACE

I, PATRICK T. WALLACE, declare and state as follows:

1. I am Funds Counsel for Plaintiffs Laborers' Pension Fund and Laborers' Welfare Fund of the Health and Welfare Department of the Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity (the "Laborers' Funds"), Plaintiffs in the above-referenced action. This Declaration is submitted in support of the Laborers' Funds' Motion to Reinstate and Confess Judgment.
2. Shareholders of the law firms of Allison, Slutsky & Kennedy, and the Law Offices of Marc M. Pekay, out-of-house collection counsel for the Laborers' Funds, bill the Laborers' Funds at a rate of \$175.00 per hour. Affiant, as in-house counsel for the Laborers' Funds has first-hand knowledge that the hourly rate of \$175.00 has been found reasonable and has been awarded by many courts in collection proceedings.
3. I received a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-




Champaign in 1992 and a Juris Doctor Degree from the University of DePaul College of Law in 1995. I was admitted to the bar of the State of Illinois in November 1995 and to the bar of the United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois in December 1995. I have also been admitted to the bar of the United States District Court for the Central District of Illinois. I was admitted to the Trial Bar of the Northern District of Illinois on September 20, 2000. From November 1995 to August 2000 I practiced labor and employment law as an associate at the law firm of Katz, Friedman, Eagle, Eisenstein & Johnson (formerly Katz, Friedman, Schur & Eagle). In September 2000, I became Fund Counsel for the Laborers' Pension Fund and Laborers' Welfare Fund for the Health and Welfare Department of the Construction and General Laborers' District Council of Chicago and Vicinity.

4. Based on the foregoing, \$175.00 represents a fair and reasonable market rate for my in-house legal services to the Funds in this matter.

5. Exhibit 1 attached hereto sets forth the time expended to date by Fund Counsel in attempting to enforce the Note and in preparing this Motion to Reinstate and Confess Judgment. As set forth in that Exhibit, I have expended 1.6 hours totaling \$280.00 in attorneys' fees.

I, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: 9/17/07


Patrick T. Wallace

Laborers Pension and Welfare Funds
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Invoice submitted to:
Pendleton Reinstate

September 18, 2007

Invoice #10063

Professional Services

	<u>Hrs/Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
8/7/2007 Telephone conference with Bronson. letter to company re: late note payment	0.30 175.00/hr	52.50
8/9/2007 demand letter on current note/ reports, Telephone conference with J. Bronson	0.30 175.00/hr	52.50
9/11/2007 Telephone conference with J. Bronson; drafted Motion to Reinstate and Affidavit of John Bronson.	0.60 175.00/hr	105.00
9/17/2007 Edits to Motion to Reinstate.	0.30 175.00/hr	52.50
9/14/2007 Telephone conference with J. Bronson.	0.10 175.00/hr	17.50
For professional services rendered	1.60	\$280.00
Balance due		<u>\$280.00</u>

Timekeeper Summary

<u>Name</u>	<u>Hours</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Patrick T. Wallace	1.60	175.00	\$280.00



CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned, an attorney, hereby certifies that he caused a copy of the foregoing Motion to Reinstate and Confess Judgment to be served upon the following person(s) via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, this 18th day of September 2007.

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/s/ Patrick T. Wallace